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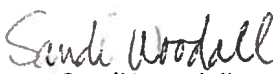
Dear Robert,

Please accept our heartfelt thanks for preparing and facilitating such an exemplary professional learning session targeting Georgia's mathematics leaders. The professional and accessible manner in which you shared your expertise in content and pedagogy with Georgia mathematics educators will serve to positively change mathematics instruction in our schools, rippling across the state as educators take advantage of the resources and materials which you created, immersed participants in, and now share via your website.

We deliberately chose you as a presenter because of your expertise and ability as one of the nation's most exceptional educators. Not only have you set high professional expectations for yourself, resulting in exceptional student achievement within your purview, but you have generously shared successful instructional strategies and your deep understanding of mathematics content with other educators via your website, blog, and your active participation in supporting and developing multiple open-source mathematics sites.


Again, thank you for accepting our request to "feed" Georgia's mathematics leaders. As leaders, they are constantly giving to others. Your session allowed them to be on the receiving end of timely and insightful food for thought. As they share your work, your session ultimately supports educators across our state in successfully moving K-12 mathematics education forward.

Sincerely,


Sandi Woodall


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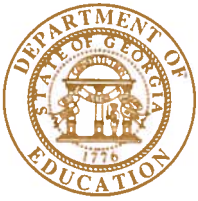

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The Georgia Department of Education Mathematics Team

Recommendation:

From the congenially collaborative beginning to the thought-provokingly humorous ending, working with Robert Kaplinsky was an experience the Georgia Department of Education Mathematics Team would happily repeat as often as possible. Robert listened to our needs, confirmed the presentation's direction by checking in along the way, and ultimately immersed 60 Georgia mathematics leaders in a two-day, transformative, task-based workshop. Robert offers a custom session, great attention to detail, a wealth of classroom/coach experience, deep knowledge, and an easy self-deprecating sense of humor which quickly builds participant trust. During his presentation, Robert provided guidance for overcoming every

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problem/task-based implementation impediment thrown his way, while simultaneously sharing classroom/coaching tools and modeling exemplary practice. Participants were engaged from start to finish, and left with plenty of resources and fuel for change agency. Robert Kaplinsky should be at the top of every mathematics leader's resource list.

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